

SHOT BY THIEVES, MAN LIES DYING IN BURNING BED

Wife Extinguished Flames
and Reached Husband's
Side Just as He Expired.

AROUSSED BY NOISE OF BURGLARS IN ROOM

North Carolina Farmer Started
to Leap from Bed, When Load
From His Own Gun Tore
Great Hole Through
Body—Lived But
Few Minutes.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHARLOTTE, N. C., July 11.—
Lying on his bed, with a fatal
gunshot wound in his side, and
the bed clothing in flames, John
Morris, a well-known
farmer, who lived just over the line
in Union county, two miles east of
Weddington, was found by his wife
at 3 o'clock this morning.

Two unknown men, burglars who had
entered the dwelling, rumbled out just
as Mrs. Morris was awakened by the
report, and made good their escape.
The woman snatched up the burning
bedding, threw it to the floor and ex-
tinguished the flames, reaching her
husband just as he died.

Killed With Own Gun.
When the murder occurred there
were in the house Morris, his wife and
a child. The sleeping room adjoined
Morris's store, and the assassins had
broken into the dwelling for the pur-
pose of getting money, which they ap-
peared to know was in the possession
of the farmer. Morris was killed with
his own gun, which was kept in the
bedroom on a rack nailed to the wall.
The two burglars had provided them-
selves with it in case the sleeping man
awoke. It is believed that while sleep-
ing alone, his wife and child occupying
a bed nearby, Morris was awakened by
the noise made by the intruders, and
before he had time to leap from the
bed was shot.

Burglars After Money.
The murderer was evidently standing
within three feet of the bed when he
fired, as the entire bed was aflame
when Mrs. Morris, who instantly awoke
following the explosion of the gun,
looked in the direction of her husband.
The load of shot entered the side of
the man, blowing a great hole through
his body just below the ribs. He sank
back moaning, with the flames playing
around his half-clad body, and ex-
pired in a few minutes.

TRIAL OF MASSIE

Wife of Man at Whose House Tragedy
Occurred Testifies.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
MARTINSVILLE, VA., July 11.—
When the trial of William Massie,
charged with the murder of Sam Shelton,
opened this morning, the defense
put on the stand Mrs. Herford Spencer,
wife of the man at whose house the
tragedy occurred, and whose husband
is one of those indicted for the shoot-
ing. She told of a visit of Sam Shelton
to her residence on the Sunday
morning before the murder. He was
accompanied by his sisters.

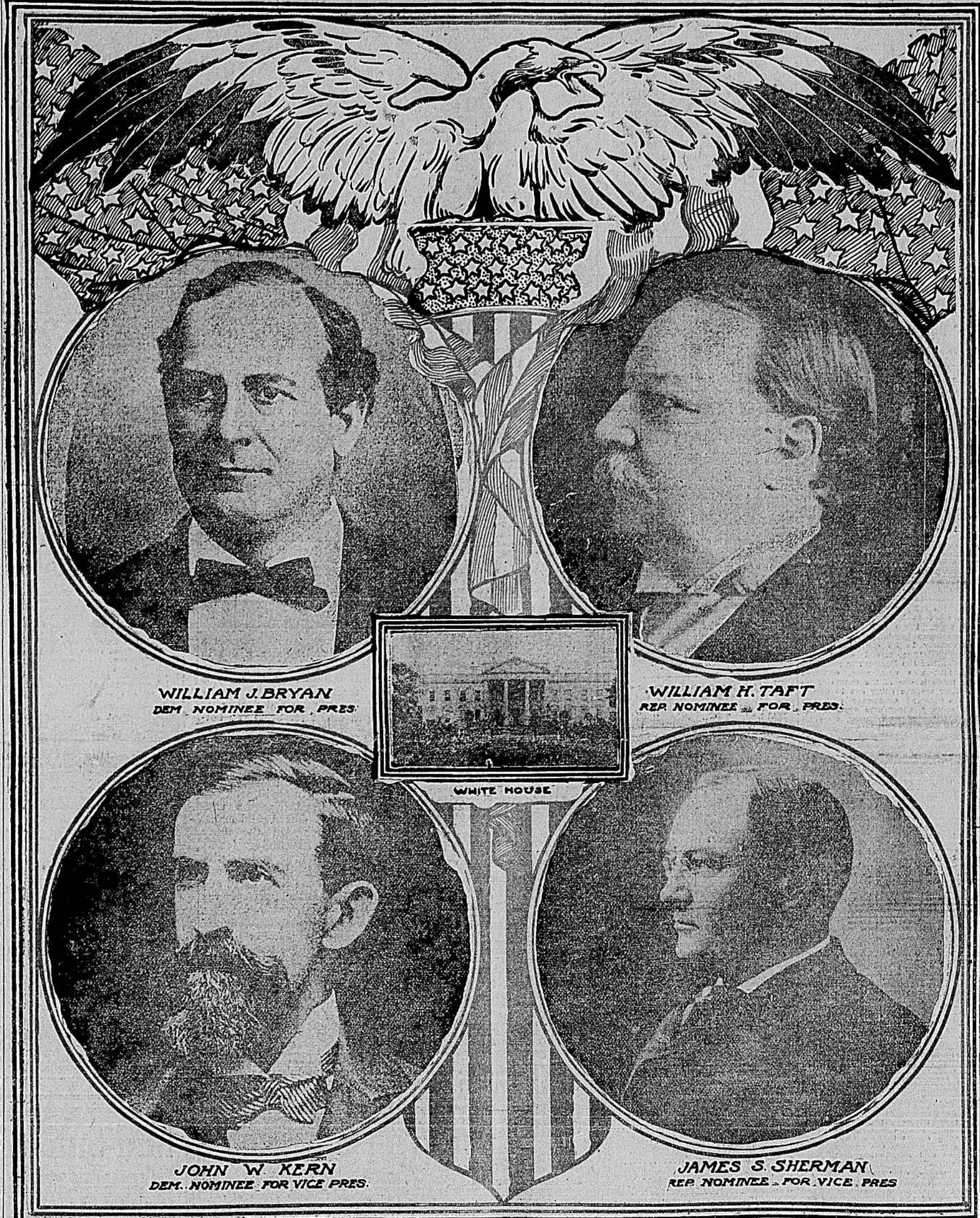
Shelton came to see Herford
Spencer about the interference with
the beer at his still. He was very
abusive. She also described the shoot-
ing and a visit to Shelton's distillery
on Sunday afternoon, at which time she
found nothing wrong. Ira and Dock
Massie testified to threats made by
Shelton against their brother, William
Massie, and the Spencers on the Sun-
day before the shooting.

SHAH IS REPENTANT

Written Apology Read to the British
Minister at Teheran.

BERLIN, July 11.—The Lokal An-
zeiger to-day publishes a dispatch from
its correspondent at Teheran as fol-
lows:
"The Persian minister of foreign af-
fairs to-day read a written apology
from the Shah to the British minister
in the legation building in connection
with the recent surrounding of the
legation by Cossacks. All the members
of the legation were present in full
uniform, and awaited the arrival of
the minister, who also was in full
uniform. The apology was signed by
the Shah and sealed with his seal.
"There are still many refugees at
the legation."

The Candidates and the Haven Where They Would Be



WILLIAM J. BRYAN
DEM. NOMINEE FOR PRES.

WILLIAM H. TAFT
REP. NOMINEE FOR PRES.

JOHN W. KERN
DEM. NOMINEE FOR VICE PRES.

JAMES S. SHERMAN
REP. NOMINEE FOR VICE PRES.

CASE GOES TO GRAND JURY

Jarratt Waives Examination and is
Hurried Back to Jail.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SUFFOLK, VA., July 11.—Captain
James Waverly Jarratt, of the Atlantic
Coast Line steamer, who killed the
policeman George T. Smith on a
crowded street here July 4, was ar-
raigned this afternoon before Mayor
John B. Norfleet. A large crowd col-
lected in the county court-house to
catch a glimpse of the prisoner, but
there was no disorder.

Jarratt waived the preliminary trial,
was sent on to the county jail, and was
hurried back to jail within four min-
utes. Jarratt's defense will likely be
insanity. The grand jury will convene
Monday. Thomas T. Smith, an em-
ployee of Captain Jarratt, who inter-
fered with officers as they were ar-
resting Jarratt, was given six months
in prison.

IMPORTANT DECISION

Railroads Must Allow Switch Con-
nections With Short Lines.

[From Our Regular Correspondent.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 11.—The
Interstate Commerce Commission ren-
dered an important decision to-day,
construing the provision of the rail-
road law requiring railroads to allow switch
connections with short lines. The
commission holds that it has little dis-
cretion in enforcing this provision,
and that interstate railroads must al-
low lateral lines to connect with them,
either upon application of the lateral
line or upon the application of any
shipper. If it be shown that such
switch connection is reasonably prac-
ticable, that it can be put in with safe-
ty, and that it will furnish sufficient

HEAT FATAL IN CHICAGO

One Death and a Number of Prostra-
tions Reported.

CHICAGO, July 11.—One death and
a number of prostrations due to the
excessive heat of last night and to-
day, had been reported up to noon to-
day. Another death was attributed di-
rectly to the heat. The dead:
Robert Ehrlich, fifty-one years old,
a laborer, died at his home after hav-
ing been prostrated by heat.
William Murphy, thirty-five years
old, a teamster, drowned while seeking
relief from the heat by swimming in
the lake.

The thermometer registered 91 de-
grees at midday at the government
observatory and several degrees higher
at the street level.

BOAT MADE OF NEWSPAPERS

Man Makes 2,000-Mile Trip in Vessel
of This Construction.

NEW YORK, July 11.—An ocean
trip of over 2,000 miles in a shell
constructed of newspapers from all parts
of the United States was completed to-
day, when George W. Johnson, a vet-
eran seaman, arrived here from St.
Augustine, Fla. Johnson started on
his daring journey in the middle of
April, but bad weather retarded his
progress at various points. Johnson
reached the head of Arthur Kill, inside
of Staten Island, early to-day, and
was escorted by members of the Staten
Island Boat Club, rowed down the Kill
by Kull to the Bayonne Rowing Club.
Johnson will be entertained here to-
morrow by several boat clubs. He will
remain in town about a month, when
he will proceed back to Florida, by
way of the Hudson River and all avail-
able inside routes to the Illinois River,
when he will proceed down the Mis-
sissippi River.

SPANKING FOR CASTRO

Country Will Attend to His Case After
Election President.

[From Our Regular Correspondent.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 11.—There
is little doubt that were it not for the
fact that the United States is just at
present entering upon a presidential
campaign President Castro, of Venez-
uela, would be getting a good, hard

WEATHER.

Fair and Warmer.

SAID SAME TO BOTH

Mrs. Longworth and Mrs. Leavitt Enjoy
Discomfiture of a Hypocrite.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
DENVER, COL., July 11.—Mrs. Alice
Roosevelt Longworth, who stood be-
side Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt at a re-
ception last Thursday night, enjoyed
immensely the discomfiture of a hypo-
crite. Here is how she tells it:

A gallant Denverite approached, and
shaking her hand vigorously, said:
"Mrs. Longworth, I have voted for your
father twice, and I hope some time to
have the pleasure of voting for him
again."

Mrs. Longworth gave the famous
Alice smile and bow, and the gallant
passed on to where Mrs. Leavitt stood.

"Mrs. Leavitt," he said, "I have voted
for your father twice, and I hope to
vote for him again."

Mrs. Longworth, who seemed to be
busy receiving the next in line, turned
and with a smile, said: "Consistency,
thy name is man."

Both she and Mrs. Leavitt gave their
congratulatory merry ha ha, and he
glided away through the crowd.

GIRL'S PLUCK SAVED HER

Fought Desperately With Man Who
Tried to Gag Her.

SUES NORTH AMERICAN FOR CRIMINAL LIBEL.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., July 11.—Mayor
John E. Reyburn, of this city, to-day
through A. S. L. Shields, his counsel,
instituted proceedings against E. A. Van
Valkenburg, editor and proprietor of the
North American, and six members of the
staff of the newspaper, charging them
with criminal libel. The charges are
based on articles and cartoons appearing
in the newspaper during the last two
years. Counsel for the mayor, notified
Mr. Van Valkenburg's counsel of the
action taken and fixed next Tuesday for
a hearing of the charges before a magis-
trate.

VIRGINIA'S SONS VISIT MR. BRYAN AT COUNTRY HOME

Given Cordial Welcome, and
Nominee and Senator Dan-
iel Speak Briefly.

VOTE OF NEW YORK PLEDGED BY CONNERS

Boss Murphy Also Shakes Hands
With the Nominee and As-
sures Him of Cordial
Support—Ohio's Vote
Is Also Prom-
ised.

BY CLINTON A. BOYCE,
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Dispatch.)

MARIA, N.B., July 11.—As a
fitting climax to Virginia's
part in the Democratic Na-
tional Convention at Denver,
the delegation called on Mr.
Bryan at Fairview, his country home,
near Lincoln, this afternoon, and spent
an hour with him and Mrs. Bryan.

A happy incident of the trip, which
forebodes harmony and united action,
so far as the Virginia Democracy is
concerned, was the cordiality with
which Mr. Bryan and Senator Daniel
greeted each other. Mr. Bryan walked
to the station to meet the Virginia
and Ohio delegations, both having ar-
rived by the same train from Denver.

When Major Daniel alighted from the
train car, he and Mr. Bryan greeted
each other with the utmost cordiality,
and in a few moments Mrs. Bryan
drove up and took the Virginia Sen-
ator to Fairview in her buggy.

When the rest of the party, led by
Mr. Bryan, arrived at the beautiful
country seat, surrounded by sweet
flowers and prosperous fields, the pre-
sidential nominee suggested that it was
probably cooler on the lawn back of
the house. Accordingly it was here
that the two delegations rested for an
hour, and held conversation with the
man designated for the third time to
lead his party in battle.

Senator Daniel's Salutation.
Senator Daniel was named as spokes-
man for the Virginia delegation, and
the happy manner in which he and Mr.
Bryan discussed the impending strug-
gle seemed to inspire the leaders who
were present with renewed hope.

"We come to salute you as our chief,
and to pledge you the vote of Virginia
in the electoral college this fall," said
Senator Daniel, opening his address.
He declared that Mr. Bryan had been no-
minated in response to the demands of
the people, and that loyal Democrats
in every section would cheerfully rally
to the ticket and strive to bring about
its election.

In his response Mr. Bryan was very
happy, and it could be easily detected
that if differences had ever existed
between these two distinguished lead-
ers, they were all buried when he
gave full adjunction to the convention
at Denver yesterday. After graciously
thanking Senator Daniel for his cheer-
ing words, and the Virginia delegation
for the interest shown by the visit,
Mr. Bryan spoke encouragingly to his
hearers.

"We expect Virginia to go
Democratic," he declared, facing Sen-
ator Daniel. "But in this great strug-
gle for the rights of the people we are
going to call upon you and others from
your State to help us in other States."

He declared that he appreciated the
honor of a visit from the Virginia de-
legation, and that he was especially
glad that the unanimous vote of his
father's State had been cast for him
in the convention.

SHAKE HANDS WITH BRYAN

Mr. Bryan Meets Tammany Braves and
Cordial Greetings Are Exchanged.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
LINCOLN, N.B., July 11.—William
Jennings Bryan and Charles F. Murphy,
leader of Tammany Hall, bridged what
over chafed may have been yawning
between them when, this af-
ternoon, on the platform of the Rock
Island depot, they got together on the
Denver platform. The special carry-
ing Tammany and other delegates
from Denver to New York arrived at
P. M. Mr. Bryan, Mrs. Bryan and
a reception committee, augmented by
several hundred curious Lincolnites,
waited their coming. Lewis Nixon,
former Tammany chieftain, was the
first off, and he was closely followed
by Murphy and some fifteen or twenty
braves. Nixon was first to grasp the
Bryan hand, but Murphy was close
behind.